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TAIWAN POLICY - ELEMENTS WHICH WILL NOT CHANGE

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- o Maintain unofficial relationship, as governed by the Taiwan Relations Act (TRA).
 - Relations are conducted through the existing unofficial structure: the American Institute in Taiwan and the Coordination Council for North American Affairs (to be renamed Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States).
- o Continue commitment to one-China policy articulated in the three U.S.-PRC joint communiques.
- o Avoid comment on the PRC-Taiwan dialogue and resist being drawn into their disputes.
- o Maintain present arms sales policy, based on requirements of the TRA and on adherence to the 1982 communique, as practiced.
 - With respect to equipping third-country weapons platforms, maintain present presumption of denial, but consider on case-by-case basis.
- o Forbid visits, as opposed to transits, by Taiwan's top leadership.
- o Prohibit access to the State Department, White House and OEOB by Taiwan representatives.
- o Continue the DoD's present practice of receiving Taiwan representatives below the rank of Chief of General Staff in their offices.
 - No meetings in any case in the Office of the Secretary.
- o Withhold support for Taiwan's membership in organizations, such as the UN, which admit only states.

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